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SUBJECT: ENERGY - NETHERLANDS MISSION TO UN RECOMMENDATION
TO THE HAGUE RE SPECIAL SESSION ECOSOC

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1. VAN GORKOM (NETHERLANDS MISSION UN) INFORMED AMB
FERGUSON THAT HIS MISSION'S RECOMMENDATION THAT A SPECIAL
SESSION OF ECOSOC BE CALLED ON ENERGY HAS NOT BEEN ACCEPTED
BY THE HAGUE (REF A). HE STATES THEY HAVE JUST RECEIVED
INSTRUCTIONS THAT THE FIRST PRIORITY IN HANDLING ENERGY
MATTER FOR THE HAGUE IS FEB 11 WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.
VAN GORKOM ADDED THAT THEREAFTER HAGUE WOULD TAKE ANOTHER
LOOK AT POSSIBILITY SPECIAL SESSION.

2. COMMENT: IT IS QUITE APPARENT THAT MAJOR ELEMENT IN
SHAPING HAGUE'S REJECTION OF ITS OWN MISSION'S RECOMMENDA-
TION WAS THE FORTUITOUS TIMING OF THE RECOMMENDATION, I.E.
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MADE COINCIDENTAL WITH THE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR UN

SPONSORED CONFERENCE. FROM NUANCES IN CONVERSATIONS WITH
DUTCH, APPARENT THEY SEEKING TO AVOID AT ALL COST ANY
APPEARANCE OF SUPPORTING FRENCH. IN THIS CONNECTION
VAN GORKOM OBSERVED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT REMEMBERS WHO
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